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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, GW, UR, WB
SUBJECT: SCHMIDT LETTER TO BREZHNEV

REF: MOSCOW 4128

1. A CHANCELLERY SOURCE HAS TOLD US THAT VAN WELL
CARRIED A LETTER FROM SCHMIDT TO BREZHNEV, IN WHICH THE
CHANCELLOR:

-- RESTATES THE FRG'S LONG TERM COMMITMENT TO DETENTE
AND IMPROVEMENT OF BILATERAL GERMAN/SOVIET RELATIONS ON
THE BASIS OF THE MOSCOW TREATY OF 1970;

-- IDENTIFIES BERLIN AS THE CENTRAL ISSUE IN GERMAN/
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SOVIET RELATIONS. SCHMIDT NOTES THAT THE TWO SIDES
HAVE OPPOSING VIEWS AND ASSERTS THAT, THEREFORE, EACH
SHOULD HAVE PATIENCE WITH THE OTHER AND SHOULD TRY TO
SOLVE OUTSTANDING ISSUES CONCERNING THE CITY;

-- STATES A DEEP GERMAN INTEREST IN THE SALT
NEGOTIATIONS. SCHMIDT POINTED TO CONCLUSION OF A SALT

III AGREEMENT AS THE KEY TOWARD PROGRESS IN OTHER
(UNIDENTIFIED) AREAS;

-- UNDERLINES HIS HOPE THAT CONCRETE ARRANGEMENTS,
INCLUDING DATES, FOR BREZHNEV'S VISIT TO THE FRG CAN
BEGIN TO BE FIXED. SCHMIDT SAYS THAT THE VISIT WOULD
BE A GOOD OCCASION TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS ON OUTSTANDING
EAST-WEST ISSUES, SPECIFICALLY MENTIONING MBFR, AND;

-- REMINDS BREZHNEV OF THE FRG'S INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF
EUROPE. IN THIS CONNECTION SCHMIDT PICKED OUT THE NORTH-
SOUTH DIALOGUE AS A SUBJECT WHICH HE BELIEVES THE USSR
SHOULD BE MORE INVOLVED IN AND ONE WHICH HE AND
BREZHNEV COULD USEFULLY DISCUSS.
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